

1. Does the way in which TVA manages public lands remain responsive to this directive?

- Yes and No.
- TVA is doing a good job.
- More effort is needed to educate the elected officials in the valley about the TVA planning process.
- TVA should redefine economic development based on its role today as both an economic partner and as the natural resource steward of the Tennessee Valley
- TVA must have a clear planning process and criteria. Land management plans should be made for each reservoir. Plans should be reviewed on a regular basis (5 to 7 years).
- Once a reservoir land plan is developed, it should have integrity for a period of time during which no changes would be allowed, unless a request for variance passes a very strict review process (safety or very broad public benefit issues).
- Overall no net loss of TVA reservoir land Valley-wide, for zone 3 and 4 (sensitive resource management and conservation).
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Minority opinion:

- TVA should provide technical assistance for economic and land use planning to local entities.
- Need a comprehensive policy on the management of TVA lands.
- TVA should take a region-wide, comprehensive look at TVA public lands.
- TVA should take a critical look at proposals for residential development on TVA land as economic development.

2. How should TVA quantify the contributions of its management of multi-purpose land in the watershed?

- Economic development should include ecotourism.
- The value of open land differs between reservoirs.
- Every reservoir is different, but a common understanding of values is needed for the entire system.
- TVA should place a high priority on having clean water at all reservoirs.
- Quantification should include runoff, water quality, air quality, open space, quality of life, and biodiversity
- Include the value of the power generation and transmission systems in quantifying the value of multi-use lands.
- Recognize the value of land for other species and habitat conservation.
- Quantify the value of rights of way management.

3. Are the lands planning processes that TVA uses understandable and effective? Are there other land management models that would be more effective for TVA?

- The TVA land management process is impressive.
- Stakeholder education is a continuing challenge. Need to define how to educate the public.
- The Community Appeals Board may be a model to look and consider.
- TVA should work with RC&D councils.
- Conservation easement use should be expanded.
- TVA does have an effective Shoreline Management Policy, but the USACE model may provide additional ideas that TVA could possibly use.